

Title I School-Level Parental Involvement

This policy describes the means for carrying out designated Title I parental involvement requirements.

Title I School-Level Parental Involvement Policy -Corcoran High School
Corcoran High School has developed a written Title I parental involvement policy with input from Title I parents. The School Site Council met on September 19, 2016, to discuss and determine elements for the Title I Parent Involvement Policy. It has distributed the policy to parents of Title I students via email and on the school website. The policy describes the means for carrying out the following Title I parental involvement requirements [20 USC 6318 Section 1118(a)-(f) inclusive].

Involvement of Parents in the Title I Program

To involve parents in the Title I program at Corcoran High School, the following practices have been established:

- **The school convenes an annual meeting to inform parents of Title I students about Title I requirements and about the right of parents to be involved in the Title I program:** For the 2016-17 school year, the annual Title I meeting was held on September 7, 2016. Flyers were posted around the school, and in addition, Parent Link was used to call all parents on three separate dates to notify them of the meeting.
- **The school offers flexible meetings for Title I parents, such as meetings in the morning or evening.** To meet the hectic schedules of our parents, Corcoran High School held the meeting in the evening and it began at 5:30 pm in the Technology Learning Center.
- **The school involves parents of Title I students in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review*, and improvement of the school's Title I programs and the Title I parental involvement policy.** At each School Site Council meeting, the title I budget is reviewed and the SSC approves all expenditures for Title I. Flyers are posted around to school to announce the time and dates for SSC meetings.
- **The school provides parents of Title I students with timely information about Title I programs.** Parents are notified of Title I meetings well in advanced. Parent Links begin at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Each category is explicitly explained and discussed at Title I, ELAC and SSC meetings.
- **The school provides parents of Title I students with an explanation of the curriculum used at the school, the assessments used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.** At all parent group meetings including Title I, ELAC and SSC, data was given to the parents which covered state and local assessments

such as CAASPP, site and district benchmarks, AP exams, and the presentation included the action plan for improvement.

- **If requested by parents of Title I students, the school provides opportunities for regular meetings that allow the parents to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children.** Corcoran High School has previously provided Parent Education for Quality Education, and for the 2014-15 school year and ongoing, will be offering the Parent Empowerment Program in order to teach parents about A-G and graduation, assessments, parent conferences, discipline and behavior programs, and intervention. Corcoran High School encourages all parents to contact the main office to request a parent conference for their child. This information is in the student handbook and on the school website.

School-Parent Compact

Corcoran High School distributes to parents of Title I students a school-parent compact. The compact, which has been jointly developed with parents, outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement. It describes specific ways the school and families will partner to help children achieve the State's high academic standards. It addresses the following legally required items, as well as other items suggested by parents of Title I students.

- The school's responsibility to provide high-quality curriculum and instruction
- The ways parents will be responsible for supporting their children's learning
- The importance of ongoing communication between parents and teachers through, at a minimum, annual parent-teacher conferences; frequent reports on student progress; access to staff; opportunities for parents to volunteer and participate in their child's class; and opportunities to observe classroom activities

The compact was developed approximately nine years ago by the Corcoran High School staff and administration and in conjunction with parents of ELAC, SSC and meetings of Title I. The Parent/School Compact is attached to this document.

Building Capacity for Involvement

Corcoran High School engages Title I parents in meaningful interactions with the school. It supports a partnership among staff, parents, and the community to improve student academic achievement. To help reach these goals, the school has established the following practices.

- **The school provides Title I parents with assistance in understanding the State's academic content standards, assessments, and how to monitor and improve the achievement of their children.** Corcoran High School has previously provided Parent Education for Quality Education, and for the 2014-15 school year and ongoing, will be offering the Parent Empowerment Program in order to teach parents about A-G and graduation, assessments, parent conferences, discipline and behavior

- programs, and intervention. Corcoran High School encourages all parents to contact the main office to request a parent conference for their child. This information is in the student handbook and on the school website.
- **The school provides Title I parents with materials and training to help them work with their children to improve their children's achievement.** As stated earlier, Corcoran High School has previously provided Parent Education for Quality Education, and for the 2014-15 school year and ongoing, will be offering the Parent Empowerment Program in order to teach parents about A-G and graduation, assessments, parent conferences, discipline and behavior programs, and intervention. Corcoran High School encourages all parents to contact the main office to request a parent conference for their child. This information is in the student handbook and on the school website.
 - **With the assistance of Title I parents, the school educates staff members about the value of parent contributions, and in how to work with parents as equal partners.** One of the main goals for Corcoran Unified School District was to improve the use of parent volunteers and their input within the school. With this said, Corcoran High School has a community contact and a parent liaison who reach out to parents to involve them in discussions about their students and the school as well as helping out within the schools.
 - **The school coordinates and integrates the Title I parental involvement program with other programs, and conducts other activities, such as parent resource centers, to encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.** Parent groups have conducted classroom observations in order to get a feel for the climate of the school, teaching styles, school focus, to comment of the learning environment and offer feedback.
 - **The school distributes information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities to Title I parents in a format and language that the parents understand.** Corcoran High School utilizes the district translator in order to put documents in the native-language of the parent. In addition, Corcoran High School contracts with translating services so the SPSA, SARC, guidance handbook and other documents are in more than one language.
 - **The school provides support for parental involvement activities requested by Title I parents.** Parents take part in classroom observations, volunteer for the school, are encouraged to attend parent-teacher conferences, and are encouraged to be a part of the Parent empowerment Program.

Accessibility

- **Corcoran High School provides opportunities for the participation of all Title I parents, including parents with limited English proficiency, parents with disabilities, and parents of migratory students. Information and school reports are provided in a format and**

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